

FILM PERMIT PROCESS ON BLM LANDS IN THE CARRIZO PLAIN NATIONAL MONUMENT

For authorization to conduct commercial still photography or commercial filming on BLM lands within the Carrizo Plain National Monument, please contact Monument Manager, Marlene Braun at (661) 391-6119 or Assistant Monument Manager Johna Hurl at (661) 391-6093. Authorization for “**minimum impact permits**” for commercial still photography and commercial films and videos within the National Monument require that you complete a Land Use Permit Application form 2920-1 and provide a map showing the specific location requested. You should complete the “Permit” portion of the application form, providing a detailed description of filming activity, and fax it to the BLM Bakersfield Office (661) 391-6041 for review. **Please Note** your permit will not be issued until signed originals of the application and fees have been received by the BLM Bakersfield Field Office at 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308.

Cost recovery and rental fees are as follows and must be submitted before BLM can approve your application. Fees may be paid by check payable to USDI, BLM.

CATEGORY	FIELD TRIPS TO PROCESS APPLICATION	PROCESSING & MONITORING	
I	None	\$125	\$50
II	One Field Trip by BLM	\$300	\$75
III	Two Field Trips by BLM	\$550	\$100
IV	Two or Three Field Trips by BLM	\$925	\$200
V	Three or More Field Trips by BLM	Actual Costs	

MOTION PICTURES/VIDEOS		COMMERCIAL STILL PHOTOGRAPHY	
1 - 30 people:	\$250/day	1 - 10 people:	\$100/day
31 - 60 people:	\$500/day	11 - 30 people:	\$150/day
over 60 people:	\$600/day	Over 30 people:	\$250/day

THE ATTACHED STIPULATIONS APPLY TO ALL COMMERCIAL FILMING AND COMMERCIAL STILL PHOTOGRAPHY SHOOTS ON BLM LAND WITHIN THE CARRIZO PLAIN NATIONAL MONUMENT.

Where it is determined that a project is more than “minimum impact” and the film company or still photographer is unable to meet the attached stipulation requirements, processing time for permit approvals may take 30-90 days and the application may be denied.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Commercial Filming & Still Photo Shoots
Carrizo Plain National Monument - BLM Lands

1. Prior to initiating any activity, the permittee will meet with a BLM representative to review the permit terms and conditions. If necessary, site surveys will be conducted by qualified personnel to establish buffers or to determine if activities need to be relocated.
2. The permittee will be responsible for advising all persons involved in the project that sensitive resources, including protected plant and animal species, occur in the general area and of the specific measures which must be taken to completely avoid any impacts to these resources.
3. The permittee shall be held responsible for compliance with all stipulations described herein by all parties associated with the permit.
4. Each permittee is required to carry a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 making the BLM the certificate holder.
5. As deemed necessary, the authorized officer may add stipulations to the permit on a case-by-case basis. Authorized permits will be monitored on an ongoing basis and are subject to additional limitations as deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer to protect resource values and human safety.
6. Filming activities are permitted along existing roads; no off-road vehicle activity is permitted.
7. No more than 15 vehicles including personal vehicles, filming equipment vehicles, motor homes, and catering vehicles are permitted on location.
8. No high-speed chases are permitted.
9. No vehicles or heavy filming equipment are permitted off road.
10. Vehicles shall park in previously disturbed areas devoid of vegetation or along the road shoulder.
11. Support and other vehicles must park at the Observation Hill parking area, or at the Goodwin Education Center. The latter will not be available between February through May.
12. Vehicles and/or equipment will not be allowed to block road access and will stay only within the road right-of-way and turnouts within existing disturbed areas.
13. The permittee shall provide a safety crew with the required equipment needed for re-directing traffic.

14. The filming company will be responsible for safety and directing traffic on Soda Lake Road.
15. Foot traffic, including foot chases, will be permitted on a case-by-case basis.
16. Use of animals will be authorized on a case-by-case basis and only if they are essential to the project and can be controlled at all times.
17. The permittee must obtain private landowner's permission to film on any segments of private land.
18. Paints or other chemicals are cannot be applied to the ground or vegetation.
19. The permittee shall obtain the proper permits from San Luis Obispo County.
20. The permittee shall provide own drinking water as well as sanitation facilities.
21. All props and any trash must be removed from the site at the conclusion of filming.
22. No vegetation shall be removed, cleared or destroyed.
23. Any changes in site shooting location on BLM lands must be approved by the authorized officer.
24. Commercial filming at Painted Rock, other sensitive prehistoric rock art sites, National Register sites, and on Soda Lake, is prohibited.
25. The permittee must avoid harassment or displacement of all wildlife and livestock, if present, and leave all livestock grazing facilities as they were found. (i.e. gates, watering devices, etc.).
26. Nighttime activities will be authorized on a case-by-case basis and only when determined to have no effect on protected animal species, such as kit fox and kangaroo rats, which may be more vulnerable at night.
27. Activities along roads that traverse areas known to be inhabited by blunt-nosed leopard lizards may have seasonal and temperature restrictions imposed. Activities may be restricted to periods of lizard inactivity or be relocated to areas uninhabited by blunt-nosed leopard lizards.
28. No activity will be permitted within 200 feet of a known kit fox den during the breeding season (November 1 to July 31) unless the den has been confirmed as inactive by a qualified biologist.
29. In areas known to support San Joaquin antelope squirrels, the area underneath vehicles will be inspected before being moved to prevent crushing animals.

30. If a listed species is encountered, the authorized officer shall be notified immediately and all activity in the immediate area will be suspended until either the animal moves out of the area on its own accord, or the authorized officer permits continuation.
31. Upon completion of filming, BLM will assess any damage or noncompliance. The permittee will be notified if noncompliance has occurred and if they will be required to rehabilitate or meet other requirements to compensate for any damage.
32. No activities shall be permitted within any ephemeral creek, drainage or dry wash including an area 20 feet on either side of any ephemeral creek, drainage or wash.